New Railway projects

850. SHRI MOSTAFA BIN QUASEM: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of New Railway projects pending with Government for which works are likely to be started in near future, State-wise;

(b) the names of on-going projects, State-wise, and expected date of completion and amount spent so far; and

(c) the new projects to be taken up during the current financial year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Planning Commission's response to following proposals submitted by Railways in awaited:—

(i) Construction of Mangalore-Udipi new line in Karnataka;

(ii) Consideration of Survey Reports for Guwahati-Dibrugarh conversion and alternatively of new B.G. line upto Dibrugarh via important towns in Assam.

(b) and (c) Details of on-going projects and new projects are furnished in Pink Book and Explanatory Memorandum forming part of Railway Budget documents.

International facilities at Calcutta Airport

851. SHRI MOSTAFA BIN QUASEM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state the steps taken by Government to improve the international facilities at Calcutta Airport to attract foreign airlines?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): Calcutta airport has all the modern facilities for handling wide-bodied and conventional aircraft. Construction of a New International Terminal at Calcutta Airport is also under consideration.

मध्य प्रदेश के शहरों में खराब टेलीफोन

852. श्री राधाकिशन मालवीय : क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) 1 जनवरी, 1986 से 31 दिसम्बर, 1986 के दौरान भोपाल, इंदौर, रायपुर, जबलपुर और ग्वालियर में टेलीफोन खराब होने की कितनी कितनी शिकायतें प्राप्त हुई हैं, और

(ख) सरकार ने इन शहरों में टेलीफोन व्यवस्था में सुधार के लिए क्या कदम उठाए हैं ?

संचार मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री संतोष मोहन देव) : (क)

भोपाल टेलीफोन	68637
इन्दौर टेलीफोन	88194
रायपुर स्टेशन	48430
जबलपुर स्टेशन	83363
ग्वालियर स्टेशन	44205

(ख) 1. आंतरिक उपस्कर की मरम्मत की जा रही है ।

2. बाह्य अर्थात् कैबिनेटों और पिल्लरों को पुन: व्यवस्थित किया जा रहा है ।

3. कुछ अधिकारियों के निरीक्षण दौरों को बढ़ा दिया गया है ।

4. जिन स्थानों में अधिक ओवरहैड एलाइनमेंट हैं उन्हें भूमिगत केबिलों में बदला जा रहा है ।

5. डी०पी० बाक्सों को उठाया और ताला लगाया जा रहा है ।

6. आकस्मिक निरीक्षण किया जा रहा है ।

7. फील्ड स्टाफ और अधिकारियों के स्तर पर सेवा की मानीटरिंग की जा रही है ।

8. मिशन-बेहतर संचार में निर्धारित सुधारात्मक उपाय किए जा रहे हैं ।

Vehicles registered in the country

853. **SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:** Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of heavy motor vehicles, trucks, buses, light motor vehicles and two wheelers in the country which have valid registration and out of it how many are 10 years old, separately;

(b) the number of these vehicles, separately, which are being put on the roads every year;

(c) the average annual road tax collected on each category of vehicles mentioned above, separately; and

(d) the administrative cost incurred in the collection of this tax?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (d) The number of registered vehicles of various types in the country as on 31-3-85 and the category-wise number of fresh registrations during 1984-85 is given below:—

Category of Vehicles	Number (In Lakhs)	Registration during 1984-85
(i) Two-wheelers	49.60	749016
(ii) 3-Wheelers :		
Passenger	2.76	38224
Goods	0.64	9996
(iii) Cars	11·78	65045
(iv) Jeeps	2·02	18954
(v) Taxis	1.60	11424
(vi) Buses	2·13	15239
(vii) Trucks	7.83	52415
(viii) Tractors	6.98	72450
(ix) Trailors	1.87	27618
(x) Others	0.63	8918
TOTAL :	87·96	10,69,299

Information regarding number of vehicles over 10 years old and road tax collections, category-wise are not compiled. The administrative cost incurred in cllection of road tax is not identifiable as apart from collection of road tax. Transport Departments also perform a mix of statutory and regulatory functions.